

'Ornithology of a Churchyard,' by B. S. Bowdish.

As the opening paper of the afternoon, Mr. Dutcher, Chairman of the 'Committee on Protection of North American Birds,' read a summary of the report of his committee for the previous year.

The concluding paper, illustrated by lantern slides, was :

'The Season's Experiences with Shore-birds, Herons and Water-fowl,' by Rev. H. K. Job.

The next meeting of the Union will be held in New York City, in November, 1905.

The good attendance at this Congress, together with the new members, elected, the largest number in any year since the founding of the Union, was most gratifying.

JNO. H. SAGE,
Secretary.

GENERAL NOTES.

Sabine's Gull in Montana.—I enclose two photographs of an immature example of Sabine's Gull (*Xema sabinii*), which, as far as I know, has not before been recorded from Montana. This bird was shot September 23, on the Yellowstone, by the ferryman at Terry, who told me that on the previous day he had seen about fifty gulls, all resting on the river shore—the flock including this species and others slightly larger. I presumed the larger gulls to be Ring-billed Gulls, which, as well as American Herring Gulls, I have observed on the Yellowstone at different dates.

The specimen is a male. The dimensions in inches are: Length to end of tail, 13; to end of wings, 14; extent, 30; wing, 10; tail, 5; across fork of tail, 1½; bill, along gape, 1½. The bill was black; legs and feet flesh color; irides dark brown.—E. S. CAMERON, *Terry, Montana.*

Additional Record of the European Widgeon (*Marcca penelope*).—I have recently examined a fine adult male of this species, which was shot on an overflowed meadow near Nippersink Lake, Lake County, Ill., on April 1, 1904, by Mr. Charles Muehrcke, and is now in his possession. The bird was in company with six of his American cousins, all of whom were shot. The specimen is mounted representing dead game. This record makes the eighteenth for the interior.—RUTHVEN DEANE, *Chicago, Ill.*

Little Blue Heron in Connecticut.—A flock of Little Blue Herons (*Florida cærulea*), all young in the white plumage, made its headquarters